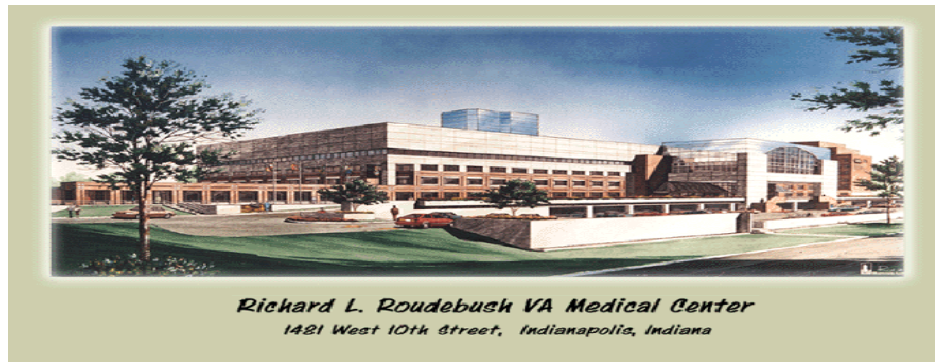


# RICHARD L. ROUDEBUSH VA MEDICAL CENTER



The Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center, located northwest of the heart of downtown Indianapolis, has been serving Indiana Veterans since 1932. As Indiana's VA tertiary care facility, Roudebush VAMC receives referrals from VA facilities at Ft. Wayne and Marion, Indiana, and from nearby Danville, Illinois. Indianapolis VAMC provides acute inpatient medical, surgical, psychiatric, neurological, and rehabilitation care, as well as both primary and specialized outpatient services. Some noteworthy specialized services include comprehensive cardiac care, radiation oncology treatment and community based extended care. The facility is aggressively utilizing emerging technology in the tele-home care and tele-disease management arenas. The medical center was selected as the site for the Veterans in Partnership VISN 11 Polytrauma Level 2 Center and is currently providing ongoing support to the returning veterans from Operation Enduring Freedom/Operation Iraqi Freedom (OEF/OIF). The medical center also operates two Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOC's) located in Bloomington and Terre Haute with plans for a third in Martinsville. The more than 50,000 veteran patients treated at the Roudebush VAMC require approximately 500,000 outpatient visits and over 7,300 inpatient episodes of care yearly.

The medical center is committed to delivering quality care and offers extensive research and training programs. With an annual research support exceeding \$11.8 million, staff members are conducting studies in such areas as diabetes, alcoholism, AIDS, Alzheimer's disease, pulmonary diseases, and cancer. The Medical Center has nine sharing agreements with the Department of Defense and plays a key role in disaster preparedness as a federal designated coordinating center for National Disaster Medical System. An active TRICARE/CHAMPUS Clinic Programs is also available that provides care for active duty military service members, retirees and their dependents.

The main part of the current medical center was opened in 1952, with about 450,000 square feet. There have been three major additions since then, in 1981, 1994 and 2008, bringing the total square footage of the medical center to over 1,000,000 square feet today. The 1981 addition is devoted to Dental, Dialysis and Research. The 1994 addition included ambulatory care clinics, new operating rooms, new intensive care units, the main clinical laboratory and education space. In August of 2008, two additional floors were completed over the clinic addition and now house four new inpatient wards and a new inpatient pharmacy. The vacated wards are being renovated to house outpatient mental health. A 12,000 square foot expansion is also taking place within the outpatient care areas. Major expenditures have also included equipment, a new cardiac cath lab, and replacement MRI. The total value of equipment in the medical center is approximately \$63,000,000.

## **RESEARCH**

The Indianapolis VA Medical Center houses a mid-sized research and development program. In Fiscal Year 2004, the medical center research program had a budget of \$11.8 million. Research topics included stroke, cholesterol, and renal disease. The Health Services Research and Development Service was designated as a Center of Excellence on Implementing Evidence Based Practice. With the newly funded Research Enhancement Award Program (REAP), our Health Services research will focus on information management for patient centered treatment. The medical center is poised to activate new research space in cooperation with Indiana University School of Medicine that includes bio-safety level 3 lab space.

## **AFFILIATIONS**

The Roudebush VAMC has a active affiliation with the Indiana University School of Medicine. At any time, 100 post-graduate physician residents and fellows are pursuing clinical training in the Indianapolis VA Medical Center and delivering veteran care under the supervision of VA physicians who are concurrently faculty of the Indiana University School of Medicine. This supervised clinical experience for licensed physicians is offered in 22 accredited medical specialties. There are also nursing student affiliations with the Indiana University School of Nursing as well as education arrangements with six other universities in Indiana and Kentucky involving dentistry, pharmacy, social work, and psychology.

## **AUTHORIZED BEDS**

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## **SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

Cardiac Surgery	Home Based Primary Care
Cardiac Catheterization	Computerized Tomography/PET/MRI
Radiation/Oncology	PT, OT, KT, & RT Services
New Intensive Care Units	Champus/DOD Clinic
OEF/OIF	Polytrauma Center
Inpatient Hemodialysis Center	Orthopedic Services
Home Dialysis Program	Prosthetics
Pulmonary Function Laboratory	Laser Treatment/Therapy
Audiology and Speech Pathology	Nuclear Medicine
Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery	Mental Hygiene Clinic
Alcohol and Drug Dependency Treatment	Women Veterans
Electron Microscopy	Homeless Program/HCFI Program
Persian Gulf Primary Care Clinic	